(c) what are the details of the Central assistance proposed for Andhra Pradesh under the above programme during the Eighth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Natural Gas found in A. P.

14. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of natural gas reserves found in the Godavari and Krisna basins of Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the schemes drawn up for their utilization?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The recoverable reserves as on 1-1-1991 were approximately 25 billion cubic metres. Allocation of approximately 5.9 MMSCMD has been made to various consumers, some of whom have already started utilising the gas.

Manufacture of Grease in Small Sector

15. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M|s Balmer Lawrie (India) Ltd., a Government Undertaking propose to give advance technical know-how assistance to small sector for manufacturing greases, if so, what are the details thereof and on what terms;

(b) whether M|s Balmer Lawrie propose to provide the know-how on purchase-back gurantee as the basis for uplift of small sector for their marketing strategy, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if the reply to part (a) above be in negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) There is no such proposal under consideration of M|s. Balmer Lawrie (India) Ltd.

Products of Mathura Refinery

16. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the regular products and by-products produced by Mathura Refinery, annually; and

(b) what are the norms laid down by Mathura Refinery for distribution/marketing of such products?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Regular products produced by Mathura Refinery are LPG, Naphtha, Motor Spirit, ATF, Kerosene, Diesel, LDO, FO, LSHS| HPS and Bitumen and Sulphur.

(b) Mathura Refinery does not lay down norms for distribution and marketing of products as they do not undertake marketing or distribution activities.

Pollution of Digboi Town in Assam by Oil Refinery

17. SHRI BHADRESHWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Digboi Town in Assam is

being polluted by the Oil Refinery for a long time;

(b) What steps are being taken by Government to make this once beautiful township free of pollution;

(c) what are the details of the meeasures and the time-frame finalised therefor; and

(d) Whether Government are also aware that the recently built treatment plant has not succeeded in containing the pollution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Modernisation of Digboi Refinery to replace obsolete and energy inefficient technology has been taken up. The following measures are being implemented in a time-bound manner:

(I) Replacement of acid treatment for wax by Hydrotreatment by 1993-94.

(II) Installation of a Catalytic Reforming unit to reduce lead in motor spirit by 1993-94.

(III) Replacement of three obsolete crude distillation units by modern units by 1994-95.

(d) The newly constructed effluent treatment plant had initial teething problems. These operations have now been stream lined. Steps have been initiated for further improvement to meet the standards.

Railway Line to Jammu-Udhampur

18. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when the Jammu-Udhampur Railway line is likely to commence; and

(b) whether Government have a proposal for laying Railway line in the Valley of Kashmir; if so what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Work on this project is in progress. The first stage upto Bajalta is expected to be opened in 1991-92. Completion of the project upto Udhampur will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

(b) No, Sir.

Kidnapping in different States

19. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of cases of kidnapping in different States during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise; and

(b) the number of accused/criminals released according to the demands of kidnappers, State-wise and year-wise, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) Registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is the responsibility of State Governments. However, a statement indicating the yearwise and State-wise registration of cases under 'Kidnapping and Abduction' in different States during the last three years is enclosed.